

COLFAX COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

Is the Richest Single County in point of Natural Resources in the United States

Compare the following Statistics (taken from Government, Territorial and private Geographical and Hydrographical surveys and reports), with those boasted of by other counties:

1000 Square Miles of Coal. 1000 Square Miles of Timber. 1,500,000 Acres of Grazing Lands
1,000,000 Acres of Farming Lands With two feet of Available Flood Waters for each and every acre.

100,000 Acres of Gold, Silver, Copper, Lead and Iron Bearing Mineral Lands.

THE CIMARRON VALLEY

INCLUDES THE BEST PORTION OF COLFAX COUNTY In this Valley lie the Farming and Mineral Lands, and most of the Coal, Timber and Grazing Lands of the County

Cimarron

IS IN THE EXACT GEOGRAPHICAL CENTER OF THE CIMARRON VALLEY, where the beautiful Cimarron Canon opens out on to the prairie, and is the most ideal location in the Valley. The Coke, Coal, Ore and Timber all come down hill to Cimarron, where the Railroad from the mineral districts, the coal camps and the timber districts center. Below and adjoining lie the choicest farming lands in the greatest southwest.

TOWN LOTS, 25x140 FEET, RANGE IN PRICE FROM \$25.00 TO \$250.00.

SO FAR AS CAN BE ASCERTAINED, CIMARRON IS THE ONLY TOWN IN THE UNITED STATES THAT HAS NOT FELT THE EFFECTS OF THE PANIC.

CIMARRON TOWNSITE COMPANY

CIMARRON, NW MEXICO.

THE CITIZEN

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Local and Personal

Jos. Stewart returned to Cimarron last Sunday evening.

J. A. Brink was a business visitor in Cimarron, Saturday.

Messrs. Sloan and "Hank" Springer of the C. S. ranch, drove into Cimarron last Saturday.

Mrs. Margaret Betty, of Kansas City, is a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Records.

Riley Littrell and Alex Livingston are now building neat little cottages on their lots in new town.

E. J. Belton spent Saturday and Sunday in Cimarron, getting ready to move his family to Joliet, Ill.

Mr. E. H. Fisher arrived in Cimarron Saturday night after spending a few days in Raton on business.

Mr. H. Bryant, of Maxwell City, spent Monday in Cimarron on business, coming in Sunday evening.

Mr. Hugo Seaberg, of Raton, was in Cimarron last Saturday and Sunday, being called here by business.

E. Helfrick, C. M. Thompson and H. M. Brown of Trinidad, were business visitors at Cimarron last week.

Don Frease, of the general freight agent's department of the Rocky Mountain road, was in Cimarron last Monday.

The first lot sold in the new town of Colfax, was at once resold by its owner, Mr. James Dancer, to C. A. Cox, for \$200.

A dance was held at the halls of the Star Lodge of the C. M. A., one evening last week, and all present report a most enjoyable time.

H. K. Grubbs, the proprietor of the Local Tender, has returned from Tucumcari, where he has been for about a fortnight on business.

J. O. Rogers went to Raton one morning last week, making the trip with Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Remsburg in their automobile as their guest.

Reuben Letton, one of the old residents of Cimarron, has returned after spending some months at Ute Park, where he was engaged in the business of hauling logs.

Beginning with April first, the three big stores of Cimarron, the Maxwell Mercantile, the Crocker Mercantile and the Cimarron Mercantile, will close the business of the day at 6:30.

Mr. James Hunt, the superintendent of the Maxwell Land Grant Co., spent one day last week in Cimarron on business and pleasure. Mr. Hunt is an old time Cimarron boy, and his many friends were exceedingly glad to see him again.

Dan McGee, who has been in Cimarron for some time past, but recently skipped out without paying his board bill, was arrested in Trinidad at the instance of J. T. Fulton. It is believed that McGee will settle the case by paying the \$40 due.

W. B. Williams, the manager of the Cimarron Lumber company's yards at Colfax, spent Sunday in Cimarron. Mr. Williams states that the company is getting its buildings started very nicely and that the yards will be in full working order very shortly.

TELLS OF CHURCH WORK

To the People of Cimarron and Vicinity:

Dear Friends—We take this method of telling what we are doing and what we hope to do in our church work. There has been an increase of about twenty in our Sunday School have now a membership of about sixty; we want seventy-five. Will we get it? Bro. Neff, our Superintendent is working faithfully to make this Sunday School equal to the best. Will not all give him your support by coming every Sunday and promptly on time and trying to bring some one with you? There are none who are too old to learn in the school. Let's make a rule to attend.

Our Epworth League is gaining ground. Several have united with us since we came. We want to make

this service what it is intended to be—interesting, helpful and spiritual. Our Woman's Home Mission Society is doing some good work, but with encouragement and help we could do more. Our meetings are held on the first Tuesday in each month. We would like to see every lady in Cimarron and vicinity a member and we extend to you a cordial invitation to be present at our meetings.

In our church work we are climbing. We have received five members into the church since conference. We would like for every Methodist who lives in and around Cimarron to give us their church letter. It is better to have your membership at your place of residence. The church needs your help and you need the benefit to be derived from the church. Let us build up the work at this place. We can do it if we will put away all fault-finding and contention and unite to do this one thing. In another month we will hold the yearly District Conference of this district when pastors and delegates will make reports concerning the work on every charge. The pastor wants to make a good report at this meeting. Do you want this done? We will do all we can, will you help?

Fraternally,

J. ALFRED MORGAN, Pastor.

The regular services of the Methodist Episcopal church were held last Sunday. The Sunday school services were well attended, over fifty being present, and the morning services were very gratifying to the members. The subject of the address in the morning was "A Maid in Naaman's House," while that of the evening services was "Seek Ye the Lord."

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START SURVEY

North End of Great Scenic Road Begun. To Pass Through Cimarron

News comes that the State of Colorado has begun the survey of the great State road that will pass from the New Mexican line, through the State of Colorado to the Wyoming line.

The contract for the survey of the portion of this great State road in Colorado, between Trinidad and the New Mexico line, has been let to O. M. Danford, a civil engineer of Trinidad, and the survey will be com-

pleted in about ten days.

This is a part of a great system of State highways constructed through New Mexico, Colorado, Wyoming, Kansas and other states, by convict labor. The movement was started by the Legislature of New Mexico, which passed a bill in 1905 providing for the construction of a public highway to be called "El Camino Real," which will pass through Cimarron, and follow, as near as practicable, the route of the famous "Santa Fe Trail." The plan is to have this road constructed entirely by convict labor, and ultimately to have branches of the road extended into every county in New Mexico.

The promoters of this idea, one of which does not interfere with R. E. Twitchell, of Las Vegas, and among whom are many prominent citizens of Colfax county, planned this great enterprise with the object of perpetuating the "Santa Fe Trail," furnishing out-door exercise and camp life to the convicts, and providing such a comprehensive and lasting system of public highways throughout New Mexico, as could not be secured in any other way.

This method of employing convicts, which does not interfere with or compete with laborers in commercial enterprises, and which is in every way beneficial to the convicts themselves, was adopted in the earlier centuries of civilization by the most enlightened nations. The modern spirit of commercialism which would let the convicts out to contractors for

hire, or keep them at work manufacturing brooms or other articles for sale in competition with free labor, will not long stand in the way of more humane and enlightened employment for these unfortunates, now that the voters and legislatures have taken a hand in the matter.

The Colorado Legislature took up the idea and passed a bill authorizing the construction of the road, also by convict labor, from the northern end of the New Mexico road, at the State line, through Colorado. And no doubt the adjoining states will adopt the same plan, so that this great system of highways will ultimately be extended throughout all the states west of the Missouri river, and in time, possibly throughout all the states of the Union.

A part of the plan is to induce the United States Government to use the road constructed along the Santa Fe Trail, for practice marching and maneuvers of the infantry and cavalry of the United States army. This road will also be used by automobile tourists, and will be of great benefit and importance to Cimarron, and the other towns along its route.

That portion of the road between Santa Fe and Las Vegas, passing through the National Forest Reserve on the Pecos river, is now almost completed, and the bill passed by the Legislature provides that the next portion to be constructed, will be that part from the New Mexico line south through Raton, Colfax and Cimarron to Las Vegas.